

**Jan. 19 - 26, 2014**  
**Kentucky Waterfowl Ground Counts**

A series of rollercoaster temperatures have greatly impacted waterfowl abundance across the state. Many shallow water areas still have ice but may open thaw by late week. Reports from many locations suggest we have lost birds. A strong cold front predicted next week will once again limit the amount of open water making hunting difficult for the last weekend of the season. Duck season ends Sunday, January 26, the goose season ends Friday, January 31.

Be safe and good hunting.

<b>Location</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Species Composition</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Ballard WMA	58,800 ducks 2,650 CG 7,000 WFG	95% mallard, remainder gadwall and a few black ducks.	Everything frozen at Ballard and Boatwright. Pumps are running where feasible. Birds congregated together in large groups to hold water open in bigger lakes.
Birdsville Island	No count		
Kentucky/Barkley Lakes	No Count		
Duck Island	No Count		
Boatwright WMA	12,000 ducks 150 CG	Mostly mallard	Habitat on Boatwright WMA same as Ballard.
Doug Travis WMA	1,200 ducks	99% mallard.	MSUs full but arctic blast is freezing area water holes.
Clear Creek WMA	No Count		
Peabody WMA	2,310 ducks 694 CG	60% mallard, 35% diver.	All shallow water ice locked. Deep water on refuge strip pits kept open by waterfowl. All birds counted here.
Sloughs WMA	6,865 ducks 2,125 WFG 5,510 CG 750 SG	80% mallard.	Shallow water frozen. Birds feeding in standing corn.
Yellowbank WMA	310 ducks	80% mallard, 20% gadwall.	Birds on refuge. MSU's with thick ice.
Hardin County	3,923 Sandhill Cr.		
Larue County	1,369 Sandhill Cr.		
Barren River Lake	No waterfowl count 9,974 Sandhill Cr.		Lake 531', 6" above winter pool
Blue Grass Army Depot (all lakes and ponds)	No count		
Herrington Lake	250 ducks 2,500 CG	Most mallards, about 50 gadwall, 20 ring-necked ducks, some wigeon, couple canvasbacks and buffelheads.	On sediment pond

Taylorsville Lake	11 ducks	mallards	Lake 90-95% frozen. Small potholes of open water in middle of lake.
Cedar Cr./Dix R. WMA	No count		
Green River WMA	No count		
Cave Run Lake	No count		